

REMARKS

Claims 2, 5, 6, 12, 13, 16, 24, and 25 are all of the claims presently pending in the application.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's indication that claims 2, 5, 6, 12, 13, and 16 are allowed (see Office Action dated July 24, 2007) and that claims 24 and 25 are allowed (see Notice of Allowance dated December 19, 2007).

In an Amendment filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 on November 21, 2007, Applicant inadvertently canceled allowed claims 2, 5, 6, 12, 13, and 16.

On January 10, 2008 Applicant's representative conducted a telephonic interview regarding the Amendment filed on November 21, 2007. The Examiner indicated that Applicant could reinstate by filing an Amendment filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. The Examiner instructed Applicant's representative to include a complete listing of the allowed claims and to list claims 2, 5, 6, 12, 13, and 16 as previously presented.

Applicant appreciates the courtesies extended by the Examiner to Applicant's representative in the telephonic interview conducted on January 10, 2008.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 2, 5, 6, 12, 13, 16, 24, and 25, all of the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, Applicant requests the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The undersigned authorizes the Commissioner to charge any deficiency in fees or to

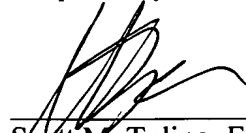
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